DONALDSON MEMORIAL FUND

At the board meeting in Leesburg Mr. Bill Whitman of the Sunrise Chapter proposed the establishment of a special fund to be a seedling fund in the name of "Dave Donaldson Award of the Year." The award is to be presented to the best seedling of the year which will be picked from the Best Seedlings of the shows. The Seedling Judges doing the selecting. The winning hybridizer is to receive a $500.00 government bond as his prize.

The fund will be financed by selling plants of the winning seedling at the Annual Membership Meetings. At present there is about $125.00 already donated to the fund. Chapters may send donations or individuals may send donations. Donations could be made in the name of members or friends who have passed away in lieu of flowers if the family so wishes.

The board of directors voted to establish the fund but the final action will probably be taken at the annual meeting in June.

There have been several reactions to the fund. We will pass on the comments but not identify the source from which they came.....

"I think the Donaldson Award plan is being rushed too much."

"$500.00 seems too high for an organization with only some 700 members."

"Mr. Whitman, in truth has a dream going, in panoramic color, positively and no discount. I offer him a bow for the idea."

"There must be additional rules and regulations in addition to Mr. Whitman's original motion."

"Why not sell plants of all the Best Seedling of Show to help finance the plan?"

The above is just a sampling of some of the comments heard. It is a good idea, let's give it long and serious thought.

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DECALS APPROVED

The board approved the purchase of membership decals and appointed the President, Executive Secretary and one other to make the selection of the form etc. Mr. Eric Golby was appointed by president Trainor to serve on the committee.

Each membership will be given one decal. Additional decals may be purchased from the Executive Secretary at a price to be set later by the committee.

It is hoped that they will be ready prior to the Annual membership meeting in June.

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DAN WOLFE APPOINTED

Mr. Dan Wolfe, P. O. Box 6163, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida 33736, has been appointed as seed bank chairman. Any donations of seeds, or requests for seeds should be directed to Mr. Wolfe.

Dan tells us that he needs seeds, the bank is near broke. Get busy you pollen dusters and get Dan some seeds.

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The man in the upstairs apartment yelled to the man downstairs: "If you don't stop playing that clarinet, I'll go crazy!"

"Too late, now," the other man yelled back. "I stopped an hour ago."

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Me in your arms dear,
Again some summer night.
With ice cream and mosquito bites.

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To evade a barrier - - try rising above it.

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